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Shellfish Harvesting Area Classification-Notification of Changes

July 2, 2016

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Under the authority of Maine statute 12 M.R.S.A., Chapter 607, Section 6172; the Commissioner has made the following classification change to Area No. 64-B, Machiasport to Calais; this notice opens the clam closure from Lubec to Quoddy Head due to the decline of naturally occurring marine biotoxin (red tide/PSP). All existing pollution and red tide/PSP closures remain in effect.

The boundary descriptions of the area are as follows (struck text is being removed and underlined text is being added):

- A. Effective immediately, because of paralytic shellfish poisoning (PSP), it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any mussels, European oysters (*Ostrea edulis*), carnivorous snails or surf/hen clams (*Spisula solidissima*) from the shores, flats and waters of the following areas:

East of a line drawn south from Point of Maine (Machiasport) to the limit of U.S. jurisdiction; AND west of the U.S./Canadian border to the limit of U.S. jurisdiction.

EXCEPTION 64-B-02: north of a line beginning at the south tip of Cape Wash (Cutler) running northeast to an unnamed point of land the opposite shore at the intersection of Sea Ledges Rd and Little Machias Rd.

- B. Effective immediately, because of paralytic shellfish poisoning (PSP), it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams from the shores, flats and waters of the following areas:

~~North of the US/Canada International Bridge; AND west of the U.S./Canadian border a line beginning at West Quoddy Head running east to the U.S./Canadian border;~~ AND east of a line beginning at Birch Point (Perry) running south to Gove Point (Lubec); AND south of a line beginning at the southern mouth of Lewis Cove (Perry) running east to the U.S./Canadian border.

Federal Harbor (Lubec): West of a line beginning at the eastern tip of Horan Point (Lubec) running southeast to the northern tip of Black Head (Lubec).

If you have questions, please contact Angel Ripley or Kohl Kanwit, Department of Marine Resources, 194 McKown Point Road, West Boothbay Harbor, Maine 04575-0008, Tel: (207) 633-9515 or (207) 633-9535, Email: angel.ripley@maine.gov or kohl.kanwit@maine.gov. During **weekends/holidays**, contact the appropriate State Police barracks: from New Hampshire border to Brunswick, barracks 1-800-228-0857; from Cushing/Boothbay to Lincolnville/Belfast area, barracks 1-800-452-4664; from Belfast to Canadian border, barracks 1-800-432-7381. This notice can be viewed on the Department's website at: http://www.maine.gov/dmr/rm/public_health/closures/closedarea.htm . This information is also recorded on our HOTLINE (207-624-7727 OR 1-800-232-4733).



Kohl Kanwit
Commissioner's Designee – Director, Bureau of Public Health

8:50 AM
(*Effective Time*)



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